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From the Competitive Impact Statement, section II, Overview of Relief:

"The relief contained in the Proposed Final Judgment provides prompt, certain and effective remedies for consumers. The requirements and prohibitions will eliminate Microsoft's illegal practices, prevent recurrence of the same or similar practices, and restore the competitive threat that middleware products posed prior to Microsoft's unlawful undertakings."

I think the Proposed Final Judgment does not begin to achieve this. MS is nothing if not creative when it comes to "business methods". Not to mention language interpretation...

And how does it happen that the definition of Microsoft Middleware omits MS Office and Outlook (but includes Outlook Express ???) I mean, if we're going to "restore competitiveness", why play favorites?

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